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TAGS: MPOL, NATO, UK, DPC

SUBJ: DPC MEETING APRIL 10: AGENDA ITEM III (ANY OTHER BUSINESS) - UK  
DEFENCE REVIEW

REF: USNATO 1926

1. AT DPC MEETING APRIL 10, UNDER AGENDA ITEM III (ANY OTHER BUSINESS) PECK (UK) DREW ATTENTION TO INFORMATION IN MOD MASON'S LETTER TO SYG LUNS (REFTEL) CONCERNING EARMARKING OF 180 ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT TO THE ALLIANCE AND ADVANCING TRANSFER TO NATO OF COMMAND OF SOME 300 STRIKE COMMAND AIRCRAFT TOGETHER WITH ALL MAJOR ROYAL NAVY SHIPS AND AMPHIBIOUS FORCES FROM REINFORCED TO SIMPLE ALERT. PECK STATED HE WOULD NOT PRETEND THAT ANY NEW FORCES WERE INVOLVED, BUT HE CITED THE UK'S ACTIONS AS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF MAKING BETTER USE OF EXISTING FORCES.

2. IN THAT CONNECTION, PECK ALSO DREW ATTENTION TO THE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE UK ON APRIL 8 OF THE INAUGURATION OF THE NEW  
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POST OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF UNITED KINGDOM AIR FORCES. MISSION  
COMMENT: AN ANNOUNCEMENT APPEARED IN THE APRIL 9 LONDON TIMES  
AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN QUOTE: NEW NATO POST FOR AIR CHIEF. AIR CHIEF MARSHAL  
SIR DENIS SMALLWOOD, AGED 56, HEAD OF RAF STRIKE COMMAND, IS TO  
BE COMMANDER IN CHIEF UNITED KINGDOM AIR FORCES, A NEW POST,  
THE RAF SAID YESTERDAY. THE POST, DIRECTLY IN THE NATO CHAIN  
OF COMMAND, WOULD ENABLE A WIDE RANGE OF RAF AIRCRAFT TO BE  
TRANSFERRED MORE SWIFTLY FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM IN AN EMERGENCY,  
A STATEMENT SAID. END QUOTE.BRUCE

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